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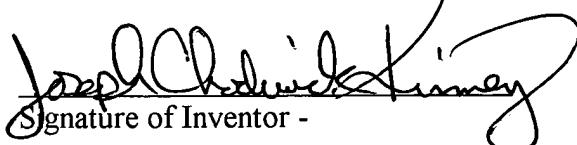
Title: WRISTWATCH GUARD WITH ACCESS FLAP

**Small Entity Declaration - Independent Inventor**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9© for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to my above-identified invention described in the specification filed herewith. I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed - and am under no obligation under any contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license - any rights in the invention to either (a) any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9© if that person had made the invention, or (b) any concern which would not qualify as either (1) a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or (2) a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

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**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION  
AND APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

WRISTWATCH GUARD WITH ACCESS FLAP

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

**PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)**

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this

application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is known by me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations section 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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